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As of August 13, 113 youth are living and studying at the Academy.

School Days...

- More than half of the current residents attended summer school from July 26 to August 6.
- During summer school, younger students took classes designed to help them prepare to pass the California State High School Exit Exams (CASHEE), while older students took classes designed to help them do well on the Scholastic Achievement Tests (SATs).
- Music classes were offered for the first time this summer; students were able to take a Guitar or Pep Band class.
- Athletes kept in shape during the summer with a fitness class.
- Another unique offering this summer, Personal Development-Insights,
 will help students promote a positive campus environment.

Residential Information...

- July 4th was celebrated on campus with a barbecue including good food and a staff/student volleyball game.
- On July 5, the new San Pasqual Academy recreational swim team held its first practice; about 10 students participated. The activity is open to anyone interested in learning how to swim.
- On July 8, several students watched the San Diego Padres host the Colorado Rockies from luxury box seats as guests of Supervisor Ron Roberts.

For more information about how you can help the Academy with donations or volunteer opportunities, please call Debby Syverson at (619) 435-4557.

WHAT'S NEW

The newest member of the Academy staff, Principal Tom Allison, is now on campus. Tom comes to his new position with a variety of classroom and administrative experience with schools in San Diego's North County and other areas of Southern California.

- On July 10, 10 students enjoyed the day slipping through water slides at the WAVE waterpark.
- On July 17, students went walking through Old Town and learned about missions and some of the history of San Diego.
- On July 30, students listened to the tunes of Switchfoot at the Friday Free Concert at the Del Mar Race Track.
- Several students attended the Pride Festival and Parade in Hillcrest on July 31.

Work Readiness...

- MultiMedia Class students entered more than 80 works at the Del Mar Fair and won numerous "Best of Class," first, second and third place awards in various categories of competition.
- During the entire month of July, Work Readiness staff assisted students to work on resumes, cover letters, applications, interviewing skills and college research; many graduates were assisted with job contacts and housing referrals.
- ♦ Sixty-one students are active in Job Placement Assistance Activities.
- Twenty current and former students are working in paid internships.
- Six current students are working in employer-paid positions.
- Fifteen students are earning monetary awards by participating in the summer Pre-Employment Training session.

Community Involvement...

- San Pasqual Academy Neighbors (SPAN) volunteers remain active over the summer, as they continue their regular arts and crafts, poetry, cooking, mentoring and tutoring activities.
- Jane Moyle, who has been the arts and crafts teacher for the past year and a half, and mentor to one of our students, became a new Academy resident when she moved onto campus in mid-July.
- Seven alumni currently reside in on-campus housing.